

PATENT APPLICATION

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For: **PROCESS FOR THE PREPARATION AND PURIFICATION OF THIOL-CONTAINING MAYTANSINOIDS**

PRELIMINARY AMENDMENT

MAIL STOP NON-FEE AMENDMENT

Commissioner for Patents
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Sir:

Prior to examination, please amend the above-identified application as follows on the accompanying pages.

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